

# LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Statistical Data for April 2007

Region 10

June 2007

## LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES APRIL 2007 PRELIMINARY

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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INDIANA  
**WORKFORCE**  
DEVELOPMENT

AREA	LABOR FORCE	NUMBER EMPLOYED	NUMBER UNEMPL.	U.R. 4/07(p)	U.R. 3/07	U.R. 4/06
U.S.	151,829,000	145,297,000	6,532,000	4.3%	4.5%	4.5%
INDIANA	3,245,750	3,092,872	152,878	4.7%	5.0%	4.9%
Louisville KY-IN MSA	634,596	604,438	30,158	4.8%	5.6%	5.4%
EGR 10*	145,080	138,547	6,533	4.5%	4.8%	5.3%
Clark	55,162	52,799	2,363	4.3%	4.6%	4.9%
Crawford	5,311	4,963	348	6.6%	7.6%	7.1%
Floyd	38,720	37,094	1,626	4.2%	4.2%	4.7%
Harrison	20,025	19,193	832	4.2%	4.8%	5.2%
Scott	11,374	10,774	600	5.3%	5.5%	6.8%
Washington	14,488	13,724	764	5.3%	5.9%	6.4%
Corydon	1,486	1,392	94	6.3%	7.9%	7.8%
Jeffersonville	15,379	14,727	652	4.2%	4.6%	5.0%
New Albany	18,830	17,935	895	4.8%	4.8%	5.5%
Salem	3,059	2,839	220	7.2%	7.8%	8.6%
Scottsburg	2,930	2,756	174	5.9%	6.3%	8.0%

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\*EGR 10 includes Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington Counties.



## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING BY COUNTY (HIGH TO LOW)

RANK - APR 2007	COUNTY	APR 2007 RATE (p)
1	Fayette	7.8%
2	Crawford	6.6%
28	Scott	5.3%
29	Washington	5.3%
65	Clark	4.3%
69	Floyd	4.2%
70	Harrison	4.2%
92	Hamilton	3.1%

## SURROUNDING STATES APRIL 2007 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

(Preliminary Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Illinois - 4.7% Indiana - 4.7% Kentucky - 5.1% Michigan - 6.8% Ohio - 5.6%

## REGIONAL, STATE, & METROPOLITAN UNEMPLOYMENT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported regional and state unemployment rates were little changed or slightly higher in April 2007. Overall, 33 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases, 13 states registered decreases, and 4 states had no change. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 29 states and the District of Columbia, up in 19 states, and unchanged in 2 states.

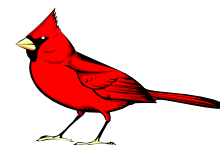
Montana again recorded the lowest employment rate at 2.2 percent in April. Michigan reported the highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 7.1 percent.

Unemployment rates were lower in April than a year earlier in 226 of the 369 metropolitan areas, higher in 120 areas, and unchanged in 23 areas. Forty-six metropolitan areas registered jobless rates below 3.0 percent while four areas recorded rates of at least 10.0 percent.

Billings, Montana, had the lowest unemployment rate at 1.7 percent. El Centro, California, a heavily agricultural area, registered the highest jobless rate at 16.3 percent.

# ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 10

(Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington Counties)



## QUARTERLY EMPLOYMENT

NAICS INDUSTRY	4 <sup>th</sup> QUARTER 2006	3 <sup>rd</sup> QUARTER 2006	4 <sup>th</sup> QUARTER 2005	CHANGE FROM 3Q2006 TO 4Q2006	CHANGE FROM 4Q2005 TO 4Q2006
TOTAL COVERED EMPLOYMENT (includes Federal Employment)	103,295	102,819	102,711	476	584
Natural Resources & Mining	719	780	763	-61	-44
Construction	5,776	6,085	6,137	-309	-361
Manufacturing	20,466	20,560	20,447	-94	19
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	23,725	23,253	23,756	472	-31
Information Services	913	908	877	5	36
Financial Activities	4,255	4,373	4,277	-118	-22
Professional & Business Services	7,437	7,376	6,983	61	454
Educational & Health Services	20,308	19,304	20,293	1,004	15
Leisure & Hospitality	11,812	11,974	11,400	-162	412
Other Services	2,568	2,542	2,524	26	44
Public Administration	5,302	5,645	5,243	-343	59

Industry sectors may not add to total due to inclusion of unclassified data in total covered employment.

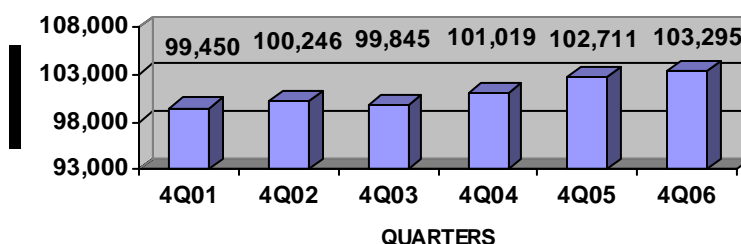
## EGR 10 QUARTERLY INDUSTRY EARNINGS

NAICS INDUSTRY	4 <sup>th</sup> QUARTER 2006	3 <sup>rd</sup> QUARTER 2006	4 <sup>th</sup> QUARTER 2005	PERCENT CHANGE FROM 4Q2005 TO 4Q2006
TOTAL NONFARM (includes Federal Employment)	\$617	\$594	\$600	2.9%
Natural Resources & Mining	\$670	\$640	\$620	8.0%
Construction	\$715	\$665	\$686	4.3%
Manufacturing	\$789	\$748	\$738	7.0%
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	\$575	\$564	\$562	2.3%
Information Services	\$534	\$559	\$553	-3.4%
Financial Activities	\$790	\$725	\$758	4.2%
Professional & Business Services	\$569	\$511	\$557	2.1%
Educational & Health Services	\$647	\$663	\$643	.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	\$314	\$289	\$311	1.0%
Other Services	\$422	\$403	\$402	5.1%
Public Administration	\$627	\$586	\$619	1.3%

Notes for both tables: The above tables include employees working for firms subject to the Indiana Employment and Training Services Act. Unemployment insurance tax records are a very comprehensive count of workers by industrial category. The Act, in general, includes employers with one or more employees. Railroads, small nonprofit institutions, and churches are excluded. Only part of the employment in private households and on farms is included. Federal government employees are covered by a federal unemployment insurance program but are included in these figures. Education and Health Services include both public and private employment.

Average Weekly Wages are computed from quarterly earnings and average employment. These figures are computed from payroll totals so they include all employees.

## EGR 10 Total Employment 4rd Quarter 2001 - 4rd Quarter 2006



■ EGR 10 Total Employment

## LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS

Local Employment Dynamics (LED), a partnership between the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and the U.S. Census Bureau, provides innovative demographic employment information (Quarterly Workforce Indicators) for local decision makers, economic development agencies, education and training institutions, and transportation agencies. The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) measure the performance of the local economy. Turnover, separations, new hires, and average new hire earnings by county, metropolitan area, and Workforce Investment area are among the data items on the web site. The web address is:

<http://lehd.dsd.census.gov/led/>.

## Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) Economic Growth Region 10 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2006 Quick Facts

QWI Quick Facts	EGR 10	Indiana
Total Employment	99,562	2,797,099
Net Job Flows	-496	-27,164
Job Creation	5,705	127,108
New Hires	17,154	401,266
Separations	20,034	496,131
Turnover	10.8%	10.2%
Average Monthly Earnings	\$2,779	\$3,218
Average New Hire Earnings	\$1,725	\$2,043

Source: U.S. Bureau of Census, Local Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD), Local Employment Dynamics (LED), 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2006.

## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI-U)

Unadjusted percent change to April 2007 from:

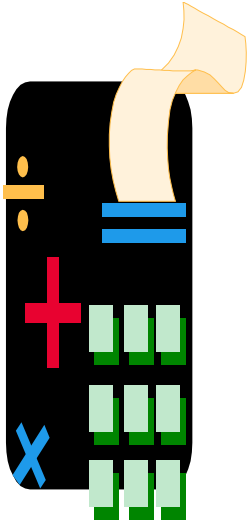
	April 06	March 07
<b>U.S. City Average</b>		
<b>All Items</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>.6%</b>
Food & Beverages	3.7%	.2%
Housing	3.4%	.2%
Apparel	-.4%	.3%
Transportation	.6%	2.7%
Medical Care	4.0%	.3%
Recreation	.3%	.2%
Education & Communication	2.2%	.1%
Other Goods & Services	3.7%	.2%
Midwest Region (All Items)*	2.3%	.5%



\*Midwest Region = Midwest Urban Average. Expenditure categories are not available on a regional basis. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

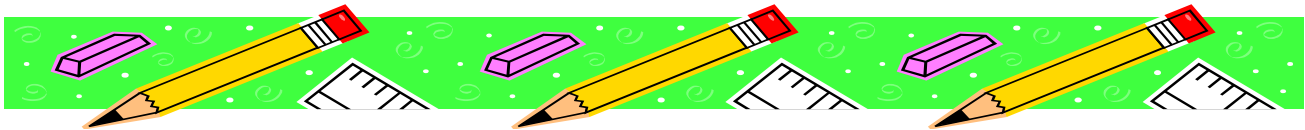
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

## ANNUAL COMPARISON OF UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY OFFICE



<u>Local Office</u>	<u>April 2007</u>	<u>March 2007</u>	<u>April 2006</u>	<u>% Change from Previous Month</u>	<u>% Change from Previous Year</u>
<b><u>INITIAL CLAIMS</u></b>					
New Albany	868	733	715	18.4%	21.4%
<b>Indiana</b>	<b>27,956</b>	<b>28,505</b>	<b>24,454</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>	<b>14.3%</b>
<b><u>TOTAL CLAIMS*</u></b>					
New Albany	8,488	9,504	8,696	-10.7%	-2.4%
<b>Indiana</b>	<b>288,300</b>	<b>310,135</b>	<b>253,681</b>	<b>-7.0%</b>	<b>13.6%</b>

\*Total Claims include both initial and continued unemployment insurance claims.



## REGION 10 JOB OPENINGS

The following hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development office in New Albany received during April 2007. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software. Occupations are listed in descending order based on number of openings.

### SELECTED APRIL 2007 JOB OPENINGS & STARTING WAGES FOR REGION 10

<u>OCCUPATIONAL TITLES</u>	<u>MINIMUM WAGE</u>	<u>AVERAGE WAGE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM WAGE</u>
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	\$7.00	\$7.13	\$7.25
Production Laborers	7.25	9.91	16.30
Registered Nurses (RNs)	18.27	22.88	27.62
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	7.50	8.20	10.00
Welder-Fitters	10.00	12.00	15.00
Aircraft Mechanics	10.00	17.00	24.00
Janitors & Cleaners	7.00	8.04	11.00
Truck Drivers, Heavy	7.50	11.17	14.00
Production Helpers	8.00	9.00	10.00
Laborers, Landscaping & Groundskeeping	6.00	8.17	10.50
Production Machinery Maintenance Mechanics	11.00	13.75	16.00
Receptionists/Information Clerks	7.50	8.21	9.50
Route Drivers	12.00	14.17	15.50
Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	11.00	15.25	25.00
Administrative Assistants	\$12.00	\$14.96	\$21.75



## REGION 10\* APPLICANT POOL

April 23, 2007



The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Applicant Pool** provides a numerical ranking of the top jobs being sought by applicants.

<u>REGION 10 JOB TITLES</u>	<u>NUMBER OF APPLICANTS</u>
Production Laborers	1,153
Assemblers	1,077
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	600
General Office Clerks	583
Production Helpers	530
Cashiers, General	505
All Other Machine Operators	505
Receptionists/Information Clerks	497
Hand Packers & Packagers	470
File Clerks	414
Production Inspectors, Tester, Graders	414
All Other Hand Workers	405
Administrative Assistants	391
Data Entry Keyers, Except Composing	332
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	325
Customer Service Representatives – Utilities	310
Secretaries – Other	283
Postal Service Clerks	270
Welders, Production	264
Medical Record Clerks	260

The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Applicant Pool on the Site Map/Index.



## ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 10\* WAGE DEMAND

The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between job applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Wage Demand** provides the applicants' desired wages and the number of applicants registered in CS3. The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. Applicants define their wage expectations for the work that they would like to obtain. An average wage demand and median wage demand are calculated for the selected geographical area. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Wage Demand on the Site Map/Index. \*EGR 10 includes Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott, and Washington Counties.



<u>AREA (4/23/07)</u>	<u>Average Annual Wage Demand</u>	<u>Median Annual Wage Demand</u>	<u>Number of Applicants</u>
<b>EGR 10</b>	<b>\$25,022</b>	<b>\$20,800</b>	<b>5,227</b>
Clark	\$25,763	\$20,800	1,688
Crawford	\$23,660	\$20,800	364
Floyd	\$23,762	\$20,800	1,071
Harrison	\$30,391	\$20,800	808
Scott	\$21,719	\$20,140	694
Washington	\$22,972	\$20,800	602



## ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES\*

AREA	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
U.S.	4.0%	4.7%	5.8%	6.0%	5.5%	5.1%	4.6%
INDIANA	2.9%	4.2%	5.2%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.0%
EGR 10	3.4%	4.4%	5.2%	5.1%	5.3%	5.5%	5.2%
LOUISVILLE, KY-IN MSA	3.6%	4.6%	5.4%	5.8%	5.3%	5.8%	5.5%
Clark Co.	3.4%	4.3%	5.2%	4.9%	5.1%	5.1%	4.9%
Crawford Co.	4.6%	5.4%	7.0%	6.9%	6.9%	7.5%	7.1%
Floyd Co.	3.3%	4.0%	4.8%	4.7%	4.9%	5.1%	4.8%
Harrison Co.	3.2%	4.1%	4.7%	4.9%	5.4%	6.2%	5.3%
Scott Co.	3.2%	4.9%	6.1%	6.5%	5.7%	6.1%	6.4%
Washington Co.	3.6%	5.4%	5.6%	5.8%	6.4%	6.1%	6.1%
Jeffersonville City	4.3%	5.4%	6.5%	6.1%	6.3%	5.2%	5.0%
New Albany City	4.0%	4.8%	5.9%	5.7%	6.0%	5.9%	5.6%



### \*LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS)

The LAUS program provides monthly and annual averages estimates for labor force, employment, unemployment, and the unemployment rate for some 7,200 areas. The areas include states, metropolitan areas, counties, and cities. The process of re-estimating statistics, as more complete data become available, takes place each year. This process is called “benchmarking”. Therefore, please discard all monthly and annual data that have been acquired between 2000 and 2006.



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